

Appendix A – CPA Preliminary Proposal

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1-A Applicant Information

Last Name: Foley	First Name: Rob
Organization(s)(as appropriate) Groton-Dunstable Youth Baseball League	

1-B Regional Project? YES NO

If YES, Town/Organization:

2 Submission Date: October 23, 2024

3 Applicant Address

Street: 12 Crystal Springs Ln	City: Groton	State: MA	Zip: 01450
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4 Phone: 978-449-1202 Email: robfoley123@gmail.com

5 CPA Purpose (Check all that apply)

Affordable Housing: <input type="checkbox"/>	Community Housing: <input type="checkbox"/>	Historic Preservation: <input type="checkbox"/>
Open Space: <input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

As per MA General Law Chapter 44B, proposed historic projects that are not on the structures listed on the state's Registry of Historic Places require a determination by the Groton Historic Commission that the proposed project is of historic significance.

6 Project Address/Property Owner's Name: Baseball fields, 319 Cow Pond Brook Ln, Groton

7 Project Name: Cow Pond Field 4 Drainage and Mounds Re-build

8 Community Preservation Plan Objectives – Use codes from SECTION 5 to indicate all that apply

5.3 Open Space and Recreation Projects

9 Proposal Basic Description

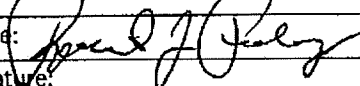
There are 4 baseball fields at the Cow Pond Brook Baseball complex. Over the years visiting coaches and parents regularly have complimented GD Youth Baseball members on the setup of the 4 fields and the conditions of them. Our league takes pride in our fields. However, one field, Field #4, the most used field at Cow Pond, has always had serious drainage issues when it rains. While most fields drain in a reasonable period of time, Field #4 remains with large puddles long after the rain has ended. The areas around Home Plate and around the bases/infield dirt stay especially wet, but in other areas of the infield too. The impact of this is often the delay and cancellation of games and practices, as play cannot happen when conditions are too muddy (for player safety reasons and to preserve field conditions long-term). During the recent wet summer about 15% of practices and games were cancelled due to this impact. We suspect that drainage is an issue, but we would need help to determine a path forward. We don't know the drainage infrastructure in place, how to test it, or how to remedy the situation. Therefore we don't know how to estimate a cost for this repair.

An additional need is to rebuild the mounds of all 4 fields. This needs to be done about every 4-6 years depending on weather and care. They are made of special soils and clay and work is performed by companies that specialize in this. Over time they degrade and eventually cannot hold the baseball rubber that pitchers push off of. We estimated the cost for this part of the proposal would be approximately \$26,000 but would arrange multiple estimates.

We do not know the total estimated cost for this entire project.

Initial Estimated CPA Cost \$??????

10 Signature

Applicant Signature: 	Date: 10/23/2024
Co-Applicant Signature:	Date:
Co-Applicant Signature:	Date: